

LODGE MUST FACE MASS OF EVIDENCE

Accuser of Senator Strongly
Denies Proceedings Are
Joke in Congress.

ELECTION FIGURES VARY

Crocker Says Fight to Unseat
Veteran Lawmaker Will
Be Pressed Hard.

According to Conrad W. Crocker of Boston, all the evidence forming the basis of charges that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts was not elected legally last November has been prepared. Mr. Crocker came here yesterday to confer with lawyers concerning the conduct of the proceedings. With Mrs. Crocker, he is at the Commodore Hotel.

"There have been through every district and have complete and ample proof that there was great irregularity in the election," Mr. Crocker said. He filed last week with the Vice-President the petition asking for a hearing before the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, of which Senator Dillingham (Vt.) is chairman.

"There is ready for presentation to the committee a great mass of proof showing fraud in the election," Mr. Crocker said. "I have the evidence in hand and am prepared to present it any time the committee is ready to proceed."

Denies It Is Joke.

"In answer to the comment in some of the newspapers to-day that this proceeding is regarded as a joke in the United States Senate, I can say that every Senator with whom I talked assured me that there will be no effort or disposition to cover any one not entitled to his seat, not even Lodge. I am absolutely convinced after weeks of investigating and studying the evidence that a reexamination of the ballots alone will establish the fact that Lodge was not elected."

All the official returns are at odds, Mr. Crocker said. There was a recount in many districts, and even on the recount it has been impossible to tabulate returns which agree. One set of figures supplied by town clerks and other officials gives Col. Gaston, the Democratic nominee against Lodge, a gain of nearly 1,500 votes. That count, however, included all the ballots which the Liberal Republican League and the Democrats contend are fraudulent.

The Bay State law requires that ballots be sealed and guarded after the polls close. One of the charges which the league is understood to be prepared to sustain is that the ballots were not sealed or guarded, and were doctored after the official count began. Mr. Crocker would not even intimate the nature of his "mass of evidence," further than saying that it proves "gross irregularities." But, in addition to the unsealed ballots, it is understood that the charges will set forth unwarranted use of money, voting by floaters and repeating—all the regular fraud charges usually made in such contests. Mr. Crocker is acting not only for the league by instructions at a special meeting, but also for John A. Nicholls, who was prohibition nominee against Lodge. "The league is not a Democratic by-product, and we are not making this contest for Gaston or the Democrats," Mr. Crocker said. "We are a cross section of the Republican party, mostly progressive Republicans, who have been unable to tolerate Lodge's high handed rule. We are the worst boss ridden State in the Union, worse than New York under Tammany, and there is a great latent progressive sentiment in our State. Lodge does not at all represent the State, but he has a most effective and menacing political machine."

"If action is not taken within a reasonable time there will be a move in the Senate to force action," Mr. Crocker said. "One of three things may happen. The Senate may decide that Lodge was not elected and Gaston was; that the election was illegal and a new one ordered held, or a vacancy interim appointment may be made."

Copeland Says Moses' Laws Led Him to Top

DR. ROYAL S. COPELAND, Senator-elect, addressing the Congregation Beth Hamidrach Hagadol, 60 Norfolk street, at its seventieth anniversary celebration yesterday, attributed his success as Health Commissioner during the last five years to his having had sense enough to follow the laws of Moses. Pointing out that the district in which the synagogue is situated is the most congested in the world, with 505,000 persons within an area of one square mile, Dr. Copeland said the death rate among infants of less than one year of age is only 50 in 1,000 born, while on upper Fifth avenue the rate is 100 to the 1,000. "It's because you have respect for official advice and the law," he told the congregation.

Dr. Copeland paid a high tribute to the Jewish race and to Nathan Straus.

PELL THINKS TAXES HAVE ROUSED VOTER

Democratic Chairman Asserts
Middle Class Citizen Has
Bucked Leadership.

Democratic success in the last election was due primarily to new interest in the government by the average, middle class voter, in the opinion of Herbert C. Pell, chairman of the Democratic State Committee. He expressed his views in a letter to Cordell Hull, chairman of the Democratic National Committee. Mr. Pell wrote:

"Anybody whose political observation goes back to the time of McKinley must realize that up to ten years ago the average middle class citizen took little interest in politics. Prior to that time he did not care much whether the administration in State or nation was Democratic or Republican, and very little whether it was efficient or inefficient. He had little, if any, contact with the Government and was not concerned about political matters."

"All this has been changed. To-day he is being taxed, harassed, worried and regulated to death. The necessary but regrettable extensions of Governmental authority during the war appear to the minds of many politicians to be the proper conditions for peace."

"The people do not care about the political complexion of the official who comes to tell them how to direct their private business, who attempts to regulate and interfere with their private lives, or who tries to control the expression of their opinion by a system of censorship. They are disgusted with the whole system of espionage and regulation."

"The middle class, which comprises at least one-quarter of the total population of the country, comprises also about 80 per cent. of the brains of the country, and it seems to me that the political party which appeals to this body of our citizenry will be successful for many years to come. An appeal to this upstanding element of our people will meet with a warm response, or at least we who believe in the fundamental principles of the American Government and in the character of the American people must believe that it will."

HANIHARA PERSONA GRATA.

Tokio's Choice of Envoy Accepted
by Washington.

Tokyo, Dec. 14 (Associated Press).—"The Japanese Foreign Office has received word from Washington that Masano Hanihara, appointed Ambassador to the United States, is persona grata to America. Mr. Hanihara's appointment is popular among American residents in Japan, who are arranging a demonstration before his departure for Washington."

WALSH SAYS PEOPLE FEAR FOR LIBERTIES

Bay State Senator Tells Catho-
lic Meeting of Growing Re-
ligious Intolerance.

CALLS FOR LEADERSHIP

Talks of Government Inter-
ference With Schools and
Domestic Arrangements.

United States Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts told the members of the Holy Name Society in an address yesterday at St. Brendan's Roman Catholic Church in the Bronx that what this country needs is leaders, sound thinking, well trained men who will be able to meet and find a solution for the unrest that is growing out of the belief that our personal liberties are stealthily being taken from us.

"How are we to meet the unrest growing out of the belief that our country is no longer liberal?" asked Senator Walsh. "When a Government begins by law to attempt to regulate what you eat and drink, what you wear, what your children you shall have, what schools your children shall go to, what your amusements shall be, it is no longer a democracy; it is an autocracy."

"And now we find organized bands of men and women with a propaganda of hate and anger; we find organized bands of men and women seeking to divert the attention of our Government and of our people from the solution of these great economic problems and trying to attack the very vital of the Constitution itself; trying to tear down the most sacred heritage that we Americans enjoy, the right to worship God as we see fit and equality of opportunity for all."

Senator Walsh said that one of the most distressing features of the present feeling of unrest is the complaint of the farmers that they are getting too little for their produce and the complaints of the workers of the industrial centers that they are being forced to pay exorbitant prices for the very things which the former sells too cheaply.

"Farmers," he said, "are obtaining for their product only 3 per cent. of what it sells for to the consumer, and they are demanding that the waste between the consumer and the farmer be stopped." On a recent trip to the West, Senator Walsh said, farmers proved to him that they were producing at a financial loss to themselves and conditions in some sections are so bad that whole families are leaving the farms and seeking places where they may earn a livelihood.

More than 400 members of the Holy Name Society heard the Senator's speech, the occasion for the gathering being the annual communion breakfast of the parish. The Senator was preceded by Representative Frank Oliver of the Twenty-third Congressional district. The other speakers included Rowland Sheridan, president of the Holy Name Society, and Mr. Joseph P. Dineen, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of New York.

FIRST COASTING CRASH OF SEASON INJURES BOY

Sled Runs Into Automobile in
West New York.

The first coasting accident of the season of which the police have record occurred yesterday near West New York, when Stephen Balish, aged 6, of 424 Twenty-third street, West New York, ran his sled against an automobile at the foot of F Boulevard hill. He was coasting with twenty other boys, and was crossing Twenty-third street when the collision happened.

The automobile was driven by Christopher Sorge of 517 Nineteenth street, West New York. Young Balish was sent to a hospital, where it was said that he had suffered a probable fracture of the skull.

SAFETY CHIEF AIM OF BUILDING SURVEY

First House to House Inspect-
tion Ever Made Is Already
Under Way.

TO APPLY ZONING LAW

All Evasions and Overloading
of Business Houses Will
Be Noted.

The Bureau of Buildings has arranged for the first house to house survey of buildings ever made by the department. The principal purpose is to obtain an accurate classification of all kinds of structures under the zoning regulations of 1916, but is expected that many cases of overloading and unsafe conditions of various sorts will be uncovered. The survey will probably take about six months and will be undertaken by forty competent inspectors attached to the staff of the Bureau of Buildings. With the slackening of building operations during the winter many inspectors are released from routine duties and will be available.

Charles Brady, superintendent of the bureau, explained yesterday that although the bureau has been in existence for many years it has never had a sufficient staff to cover the entire city in a systematic way and has confined its activities to investigating complaints of unsafe conditions or inspecting plans for new buildings and alterations.

Mr. Brady believes there are many evasions of the zoning law and the detection of these will be one of the incidental effects of the survey. Occupancy by factories of buildings erected in the districts restricted exclusively to business or business being carried on illegally in sections supposed to be solely residential districts are two conditions which the bureau has determined to eliminate.

While no new buildings of a debaucher character have been erected in the knowledge of the department, evasions of the law have occurred in existing buildings owing to the fact that the Bureau of Buildings has no record of the classification of structures either at the time the zoning law was passed in 1916 or at the present time.

Mr. Brady said the survey was not prompted by recent complaints of the unsafe condition of many buildings and that the department had nothing to do with the proper observance of the fire laws, but he has instructed his inspectors to turn over to the proper departments any instances of negligence that may come to their attention. In this way many buildings that have formerly been overlooked will no doubt be brought under inspection.

"Inspectors are directed," Mr. Brady says in his order, "to report all violations, unsafe conditions, overloading of floors and all violations of the building zone resolution that are apparent from an examination."

The order is already in effect and the survey is under way.

CANOE CLUB AT CONEY DESTROYED BY FLAMES

Old Floating Bathhouse Had
Been Remodeled.

Fire last night destroyed the quarters of the Neptune Avenue Canoe Club, West Thirty-fifth street, Gravesend Bay, Coney Island. The loss was estimated at \$10,000.

Patrolman Nasetto discovered the fire and while firemen were on their way he and members of the Neptune Club, which has headquarters nearby, fought the blaze. There was nobody in the quarters when the fire started. About fifty canoes that had been stored there were burned.

The structure was an old floating bathhouse, which had been remodeled. It formerly was in service at the Battery, but the city sold it some years ago to Harry Teasler at 2725 Ocean Parkway, Coney Island. The canoe club had a lease on it.

MERCHANT MARINE PAY RISES STEADILY

Analysis Shows Sailor Earns
High Per Cent. of Value
Produced.

TONNAGE RATIO GREATER

Conditions Far Better Now as
Regards Wages Than at
Start of War.

An analysis of income derived from transportation by water was issued yesterday by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Comparisons of the tonnage fleet of the American merchant marine with the population of continental United States for each of the eleven years from 1909 to 1919 inclusive show that the tonnage per capita was almost imperceptibly declining in the first five years of this period, with its lowest ebb in 1914. A moderate increase in 1915 and 1917 was followed by a large growth in 1918 and a tremendous expansion in 1919.

The period, which began in 1909, when the country, with a population of 90,570,000, had 7,385,785 tons afloat, closed in 1919 with a population of 104,847,000, and 13,907,500 tons afloat, tonnage per capita having increased from .0818 to .1321 in the eleven years.

The increase in the tonnage per capita was coincident with a marked gain in the economic welfare of shipping employees. The purchasing power, in terms of 1912 dollars, of the average annual earnings of the employees attached to the industry was almost constant in the first five years of the period under review, subsequently rising from its low point of \$799 in 1914 to its peak of \$1,015 in 1917. While the figures fell again to \$969 in 1918, this sum was 20 per cent. higher than the compensation of \$810 received in 1909. The earnings in current dollars, in the same period, rose from \$773 in 1909 to \$1,532 in 1918.

Employees in the industry of transportation by water receive a larger percent-

age of the value produced than those in many other fields, such as manufacturing, public utilities, production of minerals, agriculture and hand trades.

CLOTHING REMITTANCE FOR RUSSIANS ASKED

Good Use Promised for All
Material Sent.

The opening of the "clothing remittance" plan to aid Russians will be a godsend to them in many ways, said Elmer C. Burland, for many months in Moscow as head of the American Relief Administration food remittance division. Mr. Burland sails on Saturday to return to his post after a brief leave of absence in America.

"Americans cannot imagine how utterly ragged the Russian folk are right in the midst of a more than usually severe winter," Mr. Burland said. "The possibility of receiving from friends or relatives in America an American Relief Administration clothing package with cloth enough to make warm outfits for an adult or two children is like the possibility of a miracle."

"Any one who buys a clothing remittance may be sure of one thing: the Russian women will leave no bit of cloth unused. Such material as is not used for new suits or dresses or shirts will be used for patching old clothes, making caps, or something useful. The plan will mean work for thousands of tailors in the cities, when the first 40,000 clothing packages are cut and distributed according to remittances sent from America. And it will mean work for a vast number of other persons."

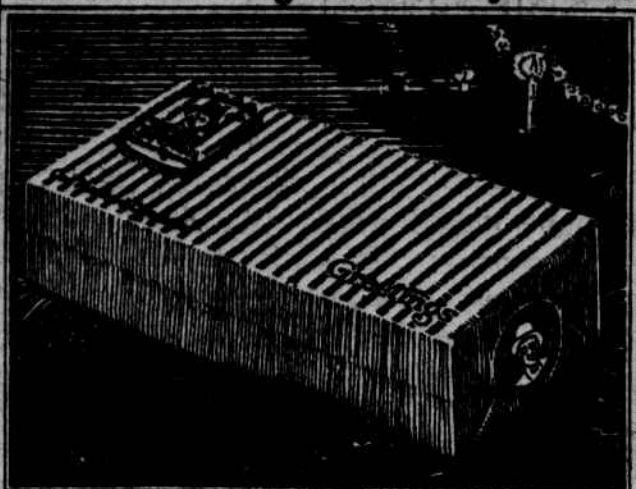
ROBBED OF HIS CLOTHES, WANDERS IN ZERO COLD

Victim Can't Get Help Be-
cause He's Undressed.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—Stripped to his underwear and socks by holdup men, who robbed him of all his outer clothing and \$144 in cash, Joseph Kone, Vancouver, was forced to wander about the streets in a residence section here to-night in zero weather for some time before he could get aid.

Kone applied at several homes for assistance, but the occupants, frightened at his appearance, refused. He finally convinced one man of his plight and the police were notified.

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Andirons	\$12 to \$65
Desk sets	\$8.50 to \$90
Silver cocktail shakers . . .	\$7.50 to \$22
Silver salt & pepper shakers .	\$5 to \$35
China coffee sets	\$10 to \$115
Tea services	\$10 to \$250
Bowls of onyx and bronze . .	\$20 to \$85
Silver flasks and containers .	\$5 to \$50
Refreshment sets	\$15 to \$80
Cocktail sets	\$15 to \$50
Occasional chairs	\$12 to \$150
Occasional tables	\$10 to \$60
Tea wagons	\$30 to \$80
Boudoir lamps	\$10 to \$75
Mirrors of many kinds . . .	\$7.50 to \$300
Sterling candlesticks, . . .	
the pair	\$12 to \$100
Smoking sets	\$10 to \$375
Smokers' serving trays . . .	\$10 to \$25
Silver casseroles and pie . .	
plates	\$5 to \$10
Well and tree platters . . .	\$10 to \$85
China salad services . . .	\$5 to \$75
Cake sets	\$5 to \$65
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